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**From:** Andy Tobin  
**Sent:** Thursday, April 13, 2017 7:40 PM  
**To:** Russell McCloud  
**Cc:** Jennifer Bontrager  
**Subject:** Re: APS Rate Case Comments



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Thank you sir. I will file this on the docket for public record.

Andy

Sent from my iPhone

On Apr 13, 2017, at 5:22 PM, Russell McCloud <[rmcccloud@theriver.com](mailto:rmcccloud@theriver.com)> wrote:

Good day to you Commissioner Tobin!

Thank you once again for taking the time to travel to Yuma this week. It was a pleasure to see you again and to be able to spend a few minutes with you.

I did as suggested and went online to submit my comments. I also want to bring those comments to your personal attention as I feel very strongly about the quality of life issue.

Thanks again and best wishes!

Sincerely,

Russell

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I understand the reasons put forth for the rate increase, we all want reliable electrical energy as it is essential to quality of life here in Arizona. That, specifically, is the point of my comment today. Quality of life. Many Arizonans work in the heat of the day and for the lucky ones, swamp coolers help relieve the relentless summer heat.

Such workers can't wait to get home and relax and cool down from a hard day's work. Therein lies the rub. The proposed 8:00 p.m. time of use and demand relaxation is simply too late in the evening to enjoy one's home and family. Particularly for those whose jobs begin early in the day in order to escape the deadly heat of Arizona's summers. Too late to cool the home in order to enjoy a family dinner, play with the kids, etc.

A much more reasonable time frame to enhance quality of life would be to move the time frame to 1:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. This way families can enjoy their homes and their quality of life will increase dramatically.

Think of the impact to economic development. What company will want to relocate here when their employees will be miserable in their own homes until after 8:00 p.m. unless they spend their hard earned money to dramatically increase their electric bills? The impacts are far reaching when quality of life is the standard used to evaluate the time of day and demand structure.

Our family business is in an industrial area. This area is filled with small and medium sized businesses. After 5:30 p.m., it is deserted. Workers gone, electric use vastly diminished. This must surely be the case statewide, not just in our little corner of the state. Most offices follow the same routine. A 6:00 p.m. change in demand rate makes the most sense when quality of life is taken into account.

I implore you on the behalf of hard working Arizonans to modify the current agreement and insert common sense quality of life issues into your decision.

Respectfully,

Russell McCloud  
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